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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR § 1.136(a)

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Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated September 17, 2003 be extended for a period of 1 month from December 17, 2003 to and including January 20, 2004 (as January 17 is a Saturday, and January 19 is a National Holiday).

The fee for this extension is estimated to be \$110.00. Please charge the required fee to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Date: January 20, 2004

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